

Update - Measles in Ada County

Date: February 5, 2001

One suspected case of measles (also called Rubeola, hard measles, or red measles) is being evaluated, but as of today there is still only one lab-confirmed case.

The suspected case may be linked to exposure at Capital Christian Center. As a result, Central District Health Department is increasing the aggressiveness of vaccination recommendations to health care providers in caring for potential close contacts of the measles case and for the general public.

People may have been exposed to measles at the following places/dates:

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| ▪ Capital Christian Center
2760 E. Fairview Ave., Meridian | Sunday, January 14 |
| ▪ Mountain View Medical Center
3301 N. Sawgrass Way, Boise | Friday, January 19 |
| ▪ Saint Alphonsus
Regional Medical Center Laboratory
1055 Curtis Rd, Boise | January 21, 22, or 24 |
| ▪ Mission Media
5269 W. Emerald, Boise | January 15 through 19 |
| ▪ Longhorn Restaurant
Crouch, ID | Wednesday, January 17 |

As a reminder, people are generally considered to be immune to measles if they fall under any of the four following conditions:

- 1. born before 1957**
- 2. born after 1956 and received 2 doses of MMR vaccine after 1969**
- 3. have documentation of physician diagnosed measles**
- 4. have lab evidence of immunity to measles**

The symptoms of measles are:

- **Fever**, 101° or higher
- **Dry cough**
- **Runny nose**
- **Red, watery, itchy eyes**
- **Reddish blotchy rash** (usually starting on the face, or head, moving quickly to the rest of the body and lasts 3 or more days)

Anyone who experiences these symptoms should contact their health care provider immediately to arrange an evaluation. **Persons with a rash illness should call their physician ahead of time so that arrangements can be made to isolate the ill person from other patients** to reduce the risk of infecting others. If someone does not have a health care provider, they may call CDHD at 327-8625 for assistance.

Central District Health Department strongly encourages all individuals to review their immunization records and parents should check their children's records to be sure they are up-to-date on all immunizations, particularly measles, mumps and rubella.

CDHD Immunization Clinic Schedule

Monday 8 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Wednesday 8 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Thursday 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Friday 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Appointments are also available. Call 327-7450.

CDHD is located at 707 North Armstrong Place in Boise. North Armstrong Place is off of Emerald Street between Maple Grove Road and Five Mile Road.

